From: Hawkins, Andy To: "Miller, Ken" Subject: **RE:** Monitoring

Thursday, July 14, 2016 5:09:00 PM Date:

10 is my max individual receptor count using the 30 cutoff. Can you verify your 10 is at the receptor location highlighted below? That would be a good check for me against a different method like you used.

73 677234.49 4255882.08 4 80 677234.49 4277882.08 4 82 678234.49 4245882.08 4 84 678234.49 4257882.08 4 413 688484.49 4273882.08 5 387 687984.49 4273382.08 9 432 688984.49 4274132.08 10

You can reproduce this from R using your MAXIFILE just change the path in the read.table statement. This code will easily crunch a large output file, millions of lines in short time. And you can modify it to use other cut points or output the counts to a .csv file to plot.

## https://www.r-project.org/

data <- read.table(file="C:\\Users\\ahawki03\\Desktop\\Aermod thru 12-31-15\\andy3\\andy3.AD\\MAXIFILE\_DEF.TXT",skip=9,header=F,fill=T) data <- na.omit(data) data\$loc <- paste(V4,V5) attach(data) ag <- aggregate(V9~V3, data, max) hourly max <- merge(ag,data,by=c("V9","V3")) test <- hourly\_max[hourly\_max\$V9 > 30,] test1 <- as.data.frame(table(test\$loc))</pre> colnames(test1) <- c("loc","freq")</pre> test1[order(test1\$freq),] **Andy Hawkins** EPA Region 7 11201 Renner Boulevard Lenexa, Kansas 66219

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**To:** Hawkins, Andy **Subject:** RE: Monitoring

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Thanks Andy. Rasterizing the counts would certainly explain it. And I understand you were looking at all hours, not daily max values – I was too – and that that is not in line with the TAD. Only having 8 months of met data is pretty limiting, so it will be interesting to see what longer data sets with NWS substitution show.

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To: Miller, Ken

Subject: RE: Monitoring

Ken,

That is likely correct based on looking at your plot and knowing I rasterized the counts. It will take me some time to verify this.

I want to be clear that my method was looking at all hours not the daily max values and does not follow the monitoring TAD. The plot I created was to spur discussion with Ameren and MDNR and to generate further analysis. I will attempt to reproduce your plot by receptor in R.

I may create some R code that can be shared with all parties to post process data following more closely to the TAD.

Thanks for sharing this.

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Andy,

I've attempted to recreate your frequency analysis, but I'm getting significantly lower frequency counts than you (see attached). The highest frequency I get at any given receptor is 10, whereas your highest count is in the range of 30-35. Note that I used the 30 ug/m^3 cutoff, so I'm comparing my results to the figure on page 86 of the Response to Comments document.

I believe I know what the issue is. Whereas I am looking at frequency counts for individual receptors, it appears you are looking at large grid cells that contain multiple receptors and summing the frequency counts of all receptors within each cell. Presumably this is a feature of R, which I don't use and so am not familiar with. Can you confirm?

Thanks,

Ken

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I used the unmerged one. Merged would likely be more appropriate for the reasons you outline

below.

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Subject: RE: Monitoring

Thanks Andy. One quick question – the input file "Labadie\_sites\_default.inp" has units 3 and 4 as separate release points. Did you use that for your analysis or did you use the merged variant "Labadie\_sites\_comb34\_default.inp" instead? The designation TSD says that EPA views runs that do not merge units 3 and 4 as less representative and that treating the flues as one stack better approximates actual dispersion conditions, so I would expect you to have used the latter.

Thanks,

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Ken,

Per our discussion. This describes the process used to create the plots in the pdf Amy shared.

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**Subject:** Monitoring

Ken,

Mike asked that I describe the map he showed on monitor siting. I want to state that map shown was to start the discussion and should not be considered a final EPA approved siting analysis as that was not the intent.

So the frequency overlay represented counts of where on the domain a receptor had a value > 30 ug/m3 and only the maximum receptor domain wide received a count. The modeling used was from your beta request "Labadie\_sites\_default.inp" and I used your onsite met data as provided, so your "KSUSILX-LAB-MIN-A2015D" files. I made no modifications to either the met or emissions inputs and I used your receptor grid "Receptors\_grid.rou" file as provided. I did review your met file and saw no issues. I ran with no background and output a threshold MAXIFILE to output any model result >1 ug/m3 for all receptors, and this output file was the basis of the frequency counts (see R code below). So this approach does not follow the EPA modeling TAD (really can't with only 8 months of met data) and only looks at frequency.

I'm willing to work with you on enhancing this analysis using your onsite met data. It may be appropriate to normalize your emissions and use some reasonable stack parameters with all available onsite met and redo this analysis incorporating frequency and higher concentration combined ranks, I would recommend that for a more robust documented defensible analysis. Someone asked for the coordinates of the monitors...

(38.5818,-90.865528,"NW") (38.572522,-90.796911,"Valley") (38.581919,-90.835309,"Quarry") (38.600896,-90.864733,"Augusta")

I've attached the electronic file I used to map the frequency counts.

And the R code used to create the attached raster... note I made no attempt to find the exact max impact locations just general locations to look at potential monitor sites using more frequent high impacts with your onsite data. I may rewrite my code to redo this analysis following closer to the monitoring TAD even though we have no 3yr average 4<sup>th</sup> highs.

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#data <- read.table(file="MAXIFILE_DEF.TXT",skip=9,header=F,fill=T)
#data <- na.omit(data)
#data <- data[data$V9>30,]
#attach(data)
#data <- data.frame(V3,V4,V5,V9)
#ag <- aggregate(V9~V3, data, max)
#hourly_max <- merge(ag,data,by=c("V3","V9"))
#hourly_max$loc <- (paste(hourly_max$V4,hourly_max$V5))
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```
#counts <- data.frame(table(hourly_max$loc))
#counts$y <- as.numeric(substr(counts$Var1,10,20))
#counts$x <- as.numeric(substr(counts$Var1,1,9))
#counts <- na.omit(counts)
#plot(counts$x,counts$y,cex=counts$Freq)
#counts1 <- data.frame(counts$x,counts$y,counts$Freq)
#colnames(counts1) <- c("x","y","Freq")
#e <- extent(counts1[,1:2])
#r <- raster(e, ncol=50, nrow=50)
#x <- rasterize(counts1[,1:2], r, as.numeric(counts1[,3]), fun=sum)
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